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Legislature. You will recall last Tuesday I introduced LB 746 which was the bill that will provide funds for legal services for civil matters for the indigent. And, well, I shouldn't say indigent. It's just people without the sufficient level to pay for legal services for themselves and to extricate themselves from the problems that have evolved in their lives. And this is a bill, if you recall, that will give these people the opportunity to become productive again and get away from the millstone they have hanging around their neck. When the bill was initially proposed the other day, I had included within that an appropriation. And at the request of Senator Beutler, I have split that off and now this appropriation bill does provide that there will be appropriated \$200,000 from the General Funds for '06-07, and \$200,000 from the General Funds of '07-08 to the Supreme Court for Program 52, which is from the Court Administrator's Office, to distribute funds in accordance with the prioritization. I would ask your approval of LB 746A. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Pederson. You've heard the opening on LB 746A. Open for discussion. Senator Pederson, there are no lights on. Senator Pederson waives closing. The question before the body is, shall LB 746A advance to E & R Initial? All in favor of the motion vote aye; those opposed, nay. The question before the body is advancement of LB 746A. Have you all voted on the question who care to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 746A.

SENATOR CUDABACK: LB 746A does advance. Next agenda item, LB 817A.

CLERK: LB 817A by Senator Chambers. (Read title.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Chambers, you're recognized to open on LB 817A.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, LB 817A is the bill that would fund LB 817, which raises the